Forest Health Advisory Committee – Roster

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Name	Term Began	Term Expires	Position
Terra Rentz (Chair) — DNR		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	FHAC Chairperson
Dave Werntz, Conservation Northwest		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Conservation
Darcy Batura, The Nature Conservancy		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Conservation
Tiana Luke, The Wilderness Society		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Conservation
Matt Comisky, American Forest Resource Council		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Industrial Harvest
Jerry Bonagofski, Washington Contract Loggers Association		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Industrial Harvest

Kevin Arneson, Boise Cascade	 Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Milling and Log Transportation
Cody Desautel, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation	 Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Washington Tribes (Eastern)
Dr. Paul Hessburg, Forest Researcher – PNW Research Station	 Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Academic Partner
Chris Branch, North Central WA Forest Health Collaborative	 Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Forest Health Collaborative
Janene Ritchie, Pinchot Partners	 Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Forest Health Collaborative
Jay McLaughlin, South Gifford Pinchot Collaborative	 Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Forest Health Collaborative
Travis Dutton, Washington Association of Counties	 Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	County and Local Government

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Chad Davis, US Forest Service – Region 6		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Federal Agency
Josh Anderson, Vaagen Brothers		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Milling and Logging Transportation
Elaine O'Neil, Washington Farm Forestry Association		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Small Forest Landowners
Jim Walkowski, Washington Fire Chiefs Association		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	Wildland Fire Response
Mike Kuttel, Jr., Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	State Agency - Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (Ex-Officio)
Shana Joy, Washington State Conservation Commission		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	State Agency – Washington State Conservation Commission (Ex-Officio)
David Cass, Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission		Charter revision impacting term expiration pending	State Agency – Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission (Ex-Officio)

Board Composition

Per **RCW 76.06.200** –

The department [DNR] must...

(e) Establish a forest health advisory committee to assist in developing and implementing the framework. The committee may: (i) Include representation from large and small forestland owners, wildland fire response organizations, milling and log transportation industries, forest collaboratives that may exist in the affected areas, highly affected communities and community preparedness organizations, conservation groups, and other interested parties deemed appropriate by the commissioner; and (ii) consult with relevant local, state, and federal agencies, and tribes.